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Dear Friend:

I guess I should have written you before now, as it looks like we will win the championship here in the east. As you know we won the first half, and are in front in the second, with eight more games to play. I could not get the members to agree to shorten the season. They all have a lot of men with five month contracts. I do hope next year we will be able to get together on this in both leagues.

I have no way of knowing how the teams in your league are standing. It is not in any of the papers. I thought sure it would be in the Defender, but it is not. I will appreciate it if you will let me know what is what. I know Kansas City won the first half, and the last time I hear Cleveland was leading this one. It will be just as well if this is the case this time, as it will give the two teams time for a playoff. Do they plan a playoff? I know Kansas City is scheduled in Yankee Stadium the 13th. If they win the western league penant they will be east to start playing our winner, but it does seem a shame to me that we do not have more system about planning our world series. I have had some correspondence with Baird, and conversation with Gottlieb, but I still would much prefer dealing with the league itself.

I will appreciate hearing from you about who is in first place now in your league. In fact when you receive this the winner may be decided. If you have any suggestions or ideas please let me hear from you.

Very Truly Yours